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GREAT CLEARANCE SALE

The Greatest Opportunity of the Year—Seasonable Goods at Special Prices.

Owing to the wonderful increase in our business, we are compelled to have more room and have arrangements made to build a three-story addition to our present store. The south one-half of the first floor will be extended to the alley on the west, which will give us a main sales room 35 feet wide by 200 feet deep. The second floor room will be 35 feet by 110 feet, and the third floor the same.

This, together with our basement room, will give us space equal to a room 35 feet wide by 500 feet long.

IMAGINE A STORE ROOM REACHING FROM MAIN STREET ALMOST TO WEST STREET AND YOU WILL HAVE THE EXTENT OF OUR PLACE WHEN THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE MADE. IN ORDER TO DO THIS IT WILL MEAN THE MOVING OF A LOT OF GOODS AND WE HAVE DECIDED TO INAGURATE A SPECIAL SALE AT PRICES THAT WILL BRING THE TRADE WITH A RUSH. EVERYBODY KNOWS THE CLASS OF GOODS THIS STORE IS NOTED FOR, AND WHEN YOU CAN BUY HIGH CLASS GOODS AT A BIG REDUCTION, WHEN THE TENDENCY OF ALL PRICES ARE UPWARD, IT IS CERTAINLY WORTHY OF YOUR ATTENTION.

This sale will begin on MONDAY MORNING, APRIL 9TH, AND CONTINUE DURING THE MONTH, CLOSING MAY 1ST, SURE. DON'T MISS IT, IF YOU WANT FURNITURE, CARPETS, STOVES, RANGES, GASOLINE OR GAS STOVES, DISHES, LAMPS, ETC. WATCH THE PAPERS FOR PARTICULARS, AND WHEN YOU BUY ANYTHING SAVE YOUR SALES CHECK DUPLICATE; IT WILL BE WORTH SOMETHING TO YOU.

F. E. HARMAN,
213 and 215 North Main street.

A "POPULAR" DEBT.

How the People Will Profit by the New Bond Scheme.

The McKinley organs are crowding their columns with explanations of the popularity which is assumed to find the refunding of the national debt for 30 years at a lower rate of interest than the present bonds having only about nine years more to run.

Upon this subject the Milwaukee News has this to say:

"What is this provision for refunding the national debt that will prove immediately popular with the people? It provides that the national debt shall be refunded into 30 year bonds. For 30 years it will be impossible to reduce the public debt. As an inducement for the national banks to present to the treasury bonds to be refunded there is another provision in the bill that permits them to issue notes up to the face value of bonds deposited with the United States treasurer, while the tax on circulation is to be removed or reduced to an infinitesimal amount. It is figured out that the inducement to the national banks to refund outstanding bonds will aggregate \$80,000,000. In other words, a present to the national banks of \$80,000,000 will prove immediately popular with the people."

It must be borne in mind also that these new bonds are intended to be the basis of private bank currency, and the banks must have the bonds. The "popularity" of the scheme lies in the fact that the banks will get the bonds and the people none.

Afraid to Bid.

At an auction sale of miscellaneous goods at a country store the auctioneer put up a buggy robe of fair quality. An old farmer inspected it closely, seemed to think there was a bargain in it, and yet he hesitated to bid.

"Think it cheap?" asked the auctioneer, crying a 10 cent bid.

"Yes, kinder," was the reply.

"Then why don't you bid and get it?"

"Well, I've bought heaps of things in dry goods and so on," slowly rejoined the old man. "And I never yet took home anything that the old woman thought was worth the price. If I get that buggy robe for even 15 cents, she'd grab it up full of one end, lay it on a corner and call out, 'Cheated again.'

"That's the reason I didn't bid."—Ohio State Journal.

CULLED

From Today's Roundup

And Concentrated for the Evening's Review.

BRIEF NOTES OF LIMA'S ABROAD, VISITORS WHO ARE HERE, AND OF THE DAY'S HAPPENINGS.

All members of the Sorosis club are requested to meet with Mrs. Gilkes, Monday evening. Important business to transact.

F. E. Harman this morning let the contract for the large three story addition to his store room on north Main street. Jacob Spyker got the contract and will commence work in a short time on the erection of the building.

As a prelude to his sermon tomorrow evening at Market Street Presbyterian church, Rev. R. J. Thomson will speak of "The Sapho" play; what attending it means to moral reputation.

Miss S. H. Webster, of Middletown, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Anderson.

Mrs. W. J. Schaefer and Mrs. Joseph Schwartz, are in Saint Marys, being called there by the sad news that their sister, Mrs. John F. Gallagher was not expected to live. Word came last night that now there is hope for her recovery.

Miss Florence Beard is the guest of Miss Pearl Kearn, at Van Wert.

Mrs. George J. Fisher, of east Market street, is ill, threatened with pneumonia.

Mrs. T. F. Seward, of 216 west North street, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia for the past six weeks, is convalescing.

The two children of Mr. and Mrs. Trist are down with both mumps and measles and Mrs. Trist with tonsillitis.

STREET LOUNGER.

L. J. Hanley, of the Buckeye telegraph office, is to receive a sword which was taken from the body of a rebel leader in the Philippines. The trophy is being sent by Mr. Hanley's brother who is with the 26th regiment, now stationed at Iloilo, on Luzon Island. L. J. says, that of late years he has been adhering to that old adage, the pen is mightier than the sword, and as a result is just the least bit out of practice in fencing, but hopes to be back in his old time form before the opening of the national campaign.

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A man registering as A. B. Kennedy was fined \$3.60 in mayor's court this morning for drunkenness. He was sent to the city work house in default of the amount.

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Smith Reed is one of the happiest and proudest men in Lima. A charming little daughter is the cause.

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Hon. Wm. G. Ewing, ex-Judge of Superior Court, Chicago, Ill., now a noted lecturer on Christian science, will deliver one of his lectures here near the latter part of this month. The lecture will be in the Opera House and will be free to everybody. Watch the date.

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J. M. Arndt and James Duffield have returned from Lewistown, bringing home a large number of ducks, together with a half pound bass, and a forty pound turtle. The patrons of the Oak, today feasted on the soup made from his turtle ship.

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Mrs. Walter Fitzgerald, of Knoxville, Tenn., and brother, J. J. Sullivan, of Detroit, arrived in the city last night, and left today noon for Knoxville. Mr. Sullivan was a former resident of this city, being an employee in the auditor's office of the Ohio Southern railroad, afterwards accepting a similar position with Auditor Seymour, of the D. & L. N. at Detroit. Mr. Sullivan has been confined to his bed since the first of March, suffering from lung trouble. The physician who has been attending him has abandoned all hope for his recovery, and his sister is taking him home to die.

SIDE BOARDS, 50 styles, elegant finish, \$13.50 up.

Everything at special prices

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DINNER

Was a Delightful Event

Which Enlivened the Dullness of Lenten Season.

MANY CLUB MEETINGS HELD DURING PAST WEEK—CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK CLUB MEETINGS.

CLUB CALENDAR.

MONDAY.

Arbutus, with R. J. Thomson. Bay View, with Miss Morrison on west Spring.

Sorority, with Mrs. Simpson.

Philomathaeans, with Frank Holmes. Round Table.

Lotus, with Mrs. R. L. Bates.

Twentyeth Century, with Mrs. John Ritchie.

TUESDAY.

1900, with Miss Edna Crow.

M. L. C., with Emory O'Dell.

Zenda Stich, with Miss Blosser.

Coterie, with Mrs. B. S. Porter at 3 o'clock.

WEDNESDAY.

J. T. with Mrs. John Sutton.

Mohicans, with Mrs. Will Dewesee.

Auld Lang Syne, with Dr. and Mrs. Whitlock.

THURSDAY.

Thursday Afternoon, with Mrs. Charles Price.

Happy Hours with Mrs. Fred. Herold.

FRIDAY.

A. P. Club, with Madeline Stephens and Detweiler.

Last evening, Mr. Alf Baxter entertained the following friends at a dinner dance, at his beautiful residence, Oak Hall: Messrs. H. L. Brice, Bert Myers, L. H. Cunningham, Geo. Frauch, W. K. Boone, Jr., Frank Sargent, Don Baxter, Merl Langan, Frank Baxter and Harold Standish; Ina Agerton, Misses Inez Lowe, Halce Hutchinson, Harriet Moore, Martha Agerton, Pearl Grafton, Kathryn Sargent, Mayme Freeman, Bess Reichelderfer, Florence Campbell and Bess Moore. The tables were beautifully decorated with American beauties, and at six thirty all sat down to an elaborate nine course dinner. At ten thirty the ball room on the third floor was a scene of beauty, stately palms and other greens forming a back-ground for the dainty toilettes of the ladies. Partners were assigned for the cotillion, six figures being danced with unique favors for men and maid-s, Mr. H. L. Brice and Miss Kathryn Sargent leading the willing dancers to the music of Fry's orchestra.

Last Wednesday afternoon the N. M. W. Euchre club was pleasantly entertained by Mrs. W. A. Patton. Several rounds of progressive euchre were indulged in, giving Mrs. T. E. Harper, the highest scores, while Mrs. E. M. Milligan was consoled. Mrs. T. J. Edwards was entertained as a guest.

Mrs. E. B. Mitchell and Mrs. S. K. Blair, of Ft. Wayne, leave Tuesday for New York City, to spend ten days with Miss Madge Mitchell who is the guest of Miss Lena Sanford in that city.

Miss Zelma O'Dell, of north Park avenue, was the hostess for the J. T. club on Wednesday evening, Mrs. John Overy and Mrs. Frank Packard winning the high score prizes.

Miss Lizzie Rathbone, of west Kib-

by street, entertained the M. L. C.

club on Tuesday evening, each mem-

ber plying her needle industriously

while they enjoyed a social hour.

The Clover Leaf club passed Thurs-

day evening very delightfully at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCoy.

The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. J. L.

Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Lytle,

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Thursday evening the Mohican club

enjoyed an old time meeting at the

cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard

Hoover of south Baxter street, whilst as

usual forming the evening's amusement.

Thursday afternoon Mrs. C. C. Miller

entertained the Sappho club at her

beautiful new home on west North

street, receiving also the following

guests: Mrs. Danforth, of Olean, N.

Y.; Miss Martin, of New York; Mrs.

N. W. Cunningham, of Bluffton; Mrs.

J. C. Linnemann, Mrs. M. L. Becker,

Mrs. S. A. Wheeler, Mrs. W. B. Bischle,

Mrs. Bartholomew, Miss Florence

Campbell and Miss Charlotte Lones.

The program was made up of Wood-

land scenes and was very pleasing.

The Nevins club will not meet until

one week from Thursday at the home

of Miss Inez Lowe.

Mrs. Will Hay, of west Spring street

entertained the Sutorium circle yester-

day evening.

Everything at special prices

at F. E. HARMAN'S

Grand Spring Opening Sale

OF MEN'S BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S UP-TO-DATE

Clothing, Shoes and Gent's Furnishings

In Society Or Business!

For social or business duties STEIN, BLOCH CO. CLOTHES are designed. They are intended for the business man or the society man. They are cut with a style that places them above any other ready-to-wear clothing manufactured. There is something about these clothes that makes you recognize them the minute you see any person wearing one of these garments. They do not fit like the average ready-made clothing, but they have a style of their own, which is put in all their suits from \$12 up to \$25, so long as they are manufactured by those world renowned tailors, of men's ready-to-wear clothing.

THE STEIN BLOCH CO., of Rochester N. Y.



Our Trouser Department

Should be visited by you frequently. Every man wears out several pairs of trousers to one coat and vest. Aside from the handsome assortment in stripes and neat checks, intended for dress-up wear, with black coats and vests, we carry a large variety of excellent patterns designed to go well with "suit," coats and vests.

\$3 to \$6
A PAIR.

How the Little Chaps Do Tear Their Trousers.

Well, you would rather have them do that and be robust, than be laid up in doors ill. It's trying of course, to put a new suit on a boy and have him knock the spots out of the trousers in a few days. For that reason we have extra trousers. A splendid line for

48c to \$1.25
A PAIR.

Our Shoe Department!

Ladies' new spring styles in footwear, including Shoes and Oxfords, in tan and black

\$1.48 to \$4
LADIES' SWELL PATENT LEATHER SHOES for
\$3 to \$5
A PAIR.

See our line of Patent Leather Button Shoes.

Children's Department

Is loaded down with the latest novelties in

Juvenile Wear.
We have some exquisite creations for
\$2 up to \$6.

MICHAEL'S
UP TO DATE STORE
FOR CLOTHING & FOOTWEAR

MONEY

Was Part of His Salary,

Says Mr. Rockford, Who is Charged With Embezzlement.

Came Here in July to Take Charge as Agent for the International Correspondence Schools at Scranton, Pa.

The Times-Democrat received an anonymous communication yesterday afternoon, making public a proceeding at Justice Duffield's court on Tuesday evening in which J. J. Rockford was held on the charge of embezzlement, preferred by the International School of Correspondence at Scranton, Pa.

Justice Duffield was seen this morning and stated that the developments were not given to the press for the reason that Mr. Rockford had made a defense which would no doubt clear him when the case was taken up by the grand jury, but that he was bound over in order that the complainant might have every chance for justice to be done if an offense had really been committed.

It was charged in the affidavit that Mr. Rockford was employed by the schools to solicit business and make collections, and that he had embezzled the sum of \$50.00. The case was heard Tuesday night, Ridenour & Halfhill representing the defendant, and the result was that the prosecuting attorney will make a further investigation.

Rockford is a resident of Toledo, where his wife and family reside, and two years held the position of deputy auditor. He was found by the Times reporter and after reading the communication referred to, declared that the prosecution was malicious. "It was understood," said Mr. Rockford, "when I came to Lima last July, that I was to have the superintendency of the work here. Including the instruction of scholars in the higher mathematics, but since my coming the school has declined and now involved in financial difficulties, resigned my position in February, never having secured for the school a warrant.

scholarship of 140 pupils at Lima, Wapakoneta, St. Marys and surrounding towns, and he is now in the hands of E. Leul of 138 North Street.

"When a settlement was asked for I deducted from my collections the sum of \$65.50 to be applied on my salary and tendered the school a draft for the balance, \$16.12, which was refused. The representative of the bond company which had secured me, called at Lima, and I referred him to Ridenour & Halfhill, my attorneys. I am acting under their advice and will be able to prove, when the time comes, that I have done nothing criminal. Other agents of the school have taken the same precautions to protect themselves as I have."

Mr. Rockford is at present identified with the Mutual Life Insurance company, of New York, and a letter from them has instructed him to proceed with his business here without interruption.

Wanted

Competent girl for general house work. Best wages paid. Enquire of Mrs. O. B. Selfridge, 650 West Market street.

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PARALYSIS

Causes the Death of Mrs. Martha J. Tressel.

Mrs. Martha J. Tressel, wife of sanitary officer George Tressel, died at their home, 559 South Main street, at 3:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, death resulting from paralysis. The deceased was born in 1846. She is survived by her husband, one son, Clyde Tressel, and two daughters, Miss Lou Tressel and Mrs. Minnie Gleason. She is also survived by three brothers, John, Lem and Joseph Linderman.

Funeral services will be held from the residence at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon.

Ladies, clean your kid gloves with LaBelle glove cleaner; for sale only by Mrs. F. Light, headquarter for kid glove and sole agent for the famous Voltaire and Malrose gloves in all the leading shades. Gloves fitted and varnished by request.

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WELL REPAYED

Was the Audience at the Humane Society Entertainment.

The public shows its appreciation of the good work being done by the Humane Society.

LIMA

Gets the Next Meeting.

Superintendents and Teachers Will Convene Here Next Spring.

The Ottawa Convention Was a Decided Success. There Being Fully 300 Educators Present at Annual Meeting.

Superintendent C. C. Miller of the Lima public schools will return home this evening from Ottawa, where he has been attending the annual round table of superintendents and teachers of north western Ohio. It was the desire of those representing Lima to secure the next meeting, and this object was uppermost during the session, with the result that support began to drift in the direction of this city. Van Wert had the same ambition and when it came time to decide the question, there was a struggle on, which made the result uncertain.

Mayor Prophet went to the rescue, both as a representative of the board of education and chief executive of the city, and in a well-timed address, invited the educators to come to Lima next spring. A vote was taken and Lima secured the plum over Van Wert with a few ballots to spare.

Prof. Miller telephoned that the Ottawa meeting was a decided success, there being about 300 in attendance, and the prospects of 500 coming to Lima next year is exceedingly bright. Prof. J. W. Smith was elected president of the association for the ensuing year.

"If weeds grow apace." Impurities in your blood will also grow unless you promptly expel them by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Men's Walk-Over Shoes.

These celebrated shoes have earned an enviable reputation. Hundreds of Lima gentlemen are wearing them to-day. Ask any of them if they are not a most satisfactory shoe.



All Styles,
All Leathers,
All Widths,
All Sizes.

One Price \$3.50 a Pair.

Only found in Lima, at

GOODING'S,

230 NORTH MAIN STREET.

THE BUSY STORE

The methods employed by a Department Store result in giving lower prices and more up-to-date goods than other stores, owing to the rigid system employed in the watching of details, as well as to the quantity of goods purchased.

The Busy Store's Saturday Evening Talk.

We will make this a bigger, greater and better store through making low prices carrying good assortments, cheerfully refunding money or exchanging goods if purchases are not satisfactory—having polite and careful salespeople, good delivery system—and being ever mindful of our patrons' interests.

NEW SPRING GOODS AT EVERY TURN!

New Goods, New Styles, New Prices. There was never a better time for the testing of this store's money-saving ability. Our low prices will be a revelation to those who always connect high cost with high quality.

Tailor-Made Suits.

The late Easter and late Spring has favored us this year. We have not had to hurry—could wait until the whole collection arrived. This is not a year of decided styles, whatever you look well in you may wear without Mrs. Grundy or any other unpleasant outsiders remarks. We are showing a stylish suit, both in colors and black, elaborately trimmed, with two rows of applique on skirt and jacket, nicely lined, and finished with brush binding. \$12.00

A very pretty suit of Covert Cloth, trimmed with narrow braid and buttons. \$12.00

A beautiful double breasted six button Eton suit, trimmed with graduated widths of Hercules braid, jacket lined throughout with Mercerized satin, skirt lined with Mercerized satin, skirt lined with brush binding. This is a bargain at \$10.98

Swell suits in gray, browns, and tan, well made, tailor stitched. \$8.50

Our buyer sends us a tailor-made suit, in Camel's hair cloth, in Oxford blues and grays, neatly lined, bought to sell at \$10.00, but we are going to cut the price right into them and give them to you at \$6.98

We are offering handsome suits, at \$16.00, \$16.50, \$17.00 to \$25.00.

Separate Skirts.



No use for silk waists without their stylish companion piece—the separate skirt. Black Cheviot Skirts, in blue and black, \$3.98. Another lot in black lustre, trimmed with two rows of satin ribbon, \$3.98. Figured Mo-

hairs in black, \$2.48-\$1.98.

A fine stock of imported Plaid Skirts, in light, medium and effects duck \$1.98

Separate Skirts in cheviot, with applique in black and colors, from \$9.98 to

5.00

Dress Goods.

A great artist once asked, "What is your finest picture?" "My next," we said.

DRESS
Our buyer went to New York this spring determined to do, as he always has done, surpass his past buying, and Lima was not to take any second place in dress goods as far as he was concerned. Of all the novelties those most sought are the clinging stuffs. The finest broadcloth in pastel shades and best shades of strong colors at \$2.25 and \$1.00.

Poplins—All the new shades and fine serges \$1.00 and 85 cents.

Marveleaux Suitings \$1.00.

Diagonal Suitings, 54 inch, \$1.25 and 98c.

We are offering one lot of dress goods which we have sold at 50 and 75 cents, good values for 25c.

Our Challis are going like hot cakes and already we are trying to duplicate. Come this week while there is a choice. Price 75, 48.35 and 25c

French Flannels 69 to 50c.

Plain and lace stripe, such fetching colors, it just makes a woman with her pocket book was 50c

Fancy applied silk in both black and white, used for skirt trimming, but most beautifully adapted and so effective for yokes of dresses and shirt waists. Fashion says they're to be largely used for this purpose and never has fashion published a more pleasing effect, \$3.98. \$2.98

We have a wonderful collection of Black Silks, with the new weaves—which, if you see you cannot refrain from buying; it makes such a sensible Easter or wedding gift.

Black Grenadines are to be found at this counter.

Black Goods.

Our new Crepons that are so tremendously popular, and we doubt if there were ever any thing so rich in black as these beautiful Crepons. \$2.50

75c

Mohairs \$1.25 to 50c.

Storm Serges \$1.25 to 50c.

Cheviots \$1.25.

BLEATING—You can have your Pleating done on short notice.

Use the "New Idea" Patterns. They are the best and only 10c

Tissue De Soie.

Plain and lace stripe, such fetching colors, it just makes a woman with her pocket book was 50c

Fancy applied silk in both black and white, used for skirt trimming, but most beautifully adapted and so effective for yokes of dresses and shirt waists. Fashion says they're to be largely used for this purpose and never has fashion published a more pleasing effect, \$3.98. \$2.98

We have a wonderful collection of Black Silks, with the new weaves—which, if you see you cannot refrain from buying; it makes such a sensible Easter or wedding gift.

Black Grenadines are to be found at this counter.

Silks.

We are interested in you and your welfare so can guarantee our Silks will give entire satisfaction.

It takes a woman's eye to catch the beauty of these lovely pastel shades as our saleswomen so artistically blend together day by day.

It is said that almost nothing will be worn at the Queen's drawing rooms this year but Crepe de Chene in contrast or harmony, except soft satins.

Here are the medley, silks, satins and crepes. Our taffetas are of the finest weave, crisp in finish, bright in coloring, also shown in those harmonious pastel shades.

We must not slight our black taffeta in those hemstitched stripes. They are so much used for shirt waists. We have these both in white and black. Some of these beautiful Taffetas are sold as 49c

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Lace Department.

The Lace Curtain Sale continues. Take up any of the fashion books, read the "woman's page" in the news. It's one story right through—this is a lace season.

Our collection is very large and causes much comment as to its beauty and low prices. White embroidered, allover nets, with lace insertion, from \$2.50 to 50c.

Cream allover \$1.98 to 98c per yard.

Our Torchon Lace, bought to sell at 12c, is going fast at 5c per yard.

Everlasting Trimming, twelve yards on a bolt, for 25 cents.

Beautiful Val Lace, just the trimming for Easter and Confirmation Dresses in those pretty Indias.

Handkerchief Waist Patterns.

Are now popular and a leader for fancy waists. Ask to see them. \$5.00 and \$4.00 a pattern.

Last but not least comes our Foulard Silks, they have a realm of their own; certain occasions, as weddings, dinner receptions and dances, demand light dress silks, this season brings out new, artistic results in combinations of soft brocaded and printed effects; blue and white, also pastel shades.

Men's Percale Shirts, banded bosoms and detached link cuffs, full size bodies, and full length, in all the latest patterns, all sizes. 75c

Men's fine Twilled Night Shirts, cut extra large and long fitted seams, gathered yoke, collar and pocket, all sizes.

Special lot of Boys' Percale Shirt Waists, deep collars, plaited bosoms, full bodies and ruffles, 35 and 25c

Boys' Blouses in white, trimmed with inserting and ruffles, 75c

SUMMER UNDERWEAR.

Ladies' Ribbed Silk Vests in cream \$1.39.

Ladies' Ribbed Silk Vests in blue and pink 69c.

The Richelle Vest in bleached 48c.

Silk Vest in cream 69c.

Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Vest, black, 25c.

Ladies' Ribbed Vest, pink or blue, 25c.

Woman's Open-work Stockings, soft, dainty and delicate, silk and lisle thread, fancies that run riot in milady's brain.

Fancy Striped Hose, in all colors, 25 and 29 cts.

Ladies' Fancy Lisle Hose, with Hemdsdorf black boot, 39 cents, former price 59c.

Ladies' Fast Black Lisle Hose, drop lace, 48c, former price 59c.

Ladies' Fancy Lisle Hose, latest novelty, 50c, former price 75c.

Ladies' Spun Silk Plaited Hose 49c.

Gents' Half Hose, in fancy stripes, 12c.

Gents' Polka Dot Half Hose 25c.

Gents' Full Hose in russet shades 15c.

Gentlemen's Neckwear for Easter in the very latest up-to-date styles, beautiful striped ties, all shades, 50 and 25 cents.

Men's made up Butterly Bowls, in all shades, 50 and 25 cents.

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Men's French Elastic Web Suspender, silk over-shot with Mohair ends, solid nickel slides and buckles, 25c

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Notion Department.

This department seems to be without limitation. There is no end to the useful beautiful and necessary articles at this counter. A fine line of the best makers of soaps—Savons in White Rose and Heliotrope. 9c

Petroleum Jelly in 1 lb. jars, the purest that is made—you will not find it clouded and mottled, but it has been finely clarified, at 10c

Lambert's Listerine, large size bottle, 85c.

Lambert's Listerine, small size, 25c.

Hirsch Ammonia, sweet violet perfume, 10c. One full pint concentrated Gold Seal Ammonia for laundry and bath, 10c.

Highest grade Bay Rum, 21c.

Celoid Soap Boxes, 25c.

A special in Hot Water Bags, the best rubber, 9c and 12c.

On our 25c table you will find a special line of Hair Brushes, Nail Brushes and Mirrors, pure fabric toilet paper, highly medicated, 1000 sheets, at 7c

Hook on and Pulley Garters. Supporters in all the beautiful shades... 25c

A special Lot of Golf Purses, black and brown, 25c. Initials in silver and gilt can be placed at once on your purse.

Further along the aisle you will see those tucked stockings 25c and 15c in all the shades, velvet, satin and leather.

Stop and see the variety of our Dress Combs, some plain, some ornated with rhinestones, pom poms—combs, side combs—a back comb, one of the latest novelties.

Silver Pulley Rings, sterling, 50c.

Silver Thimbles, sterling, 50c.

Beautiful line of Brooches, 50c and 25c.

Small Buckles for trimming at 10c and 8c.

Pulley Belts, 50c.

Serpent Belts, 69c.

Chain Belts, 69c.

Shopping Bags, \$2.42, \$1.98, \$1.75, \$1.50, and 25c.

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We Mend Your Linen.

Sew on buttons, put on new neck band, etc. If you'll give us a chance we'll take such good care of all your linen, you'll never miss the darning girl of the old home. Besides, our new parlor for treating the hard water will make all your washables last twice as long.

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Are not made of sail cloth, as some seem to think. They require careful and intelligent handling. Our work in this line promotes happiness in the family. We might say more without exaggeration. Prices are right.

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